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NOTES AND QUERIES.

Notes.

LETTER OF GENERAL ANTHONY WAYNE, 1796.—

HEAD QUARTERS DETROIT 8th October 1796

SIR

I have received from the Secretary of War by the last post the arrangement of the Officers for Four Regiments of Infantry & Two Companies of Dragoons, made agreeably to the 4th Section of an Act to ascertain & fix the Military Establishment of the United States passed May 30th 1796 viz.

4th SECT. "And be it further enacted, That the President of the "United States cause to be arranged the officers, non-commissioned offi-"cers, privates & musicians of the Legion of the United States, and "Light Dragoons, in such manner as to form and complete out of the "same, the Four Regiments as aforesaid, & two Companies of Light "Dragoons; and the supernumerary officers, privates & musicians "shall be considered, from & after the last day of October next, dis-"charged from the Service of the United States."

Permit me to assure you Sir, that it is with real concern & regret, I find your name in the enclosed list of Supernumerary Officers, in consequence of that Act, without any provision made for them in future.

All that remains in my power, to serve or oblige you in, is to give you immediate leave of abscence from your present Command, previously to which may I request you to be so obliging as to take duplicates from Capt Danl Bradely—for every species of stores at Fort Miami, belonging to the Ordnance, Quartermasters & Commissaries Departments, one of which you will please to transmit to me at this place, & when most agreeable & convenient to yourself, you will deliver the fort and public Stores, now under your charge to that Officer.

That you may always experience health & good fortune in every vicissitude of life is the sincere wish of your assured friend &

Huml Sert
ANTY WAYNE

CAPT ANDREW MARSCHALK
Commandant of Fort Miami.

Queries.

A CURIOUS FLAG.—There is deposited in the Easton Library, at Easton, Pennsylvania, a flag presented by Miss Rosanna Beidelman, on behalf of the ladies of the town, to Captain Abraham Horn's company of volunteer riflemen, First Company, First Regiment, Colonel Humphreys, in September of 1814, immediately after the burning of Washington City.

The flag is ninety-seven inches in length and fifty-five in breadth. The material throughout is heavy silk. The stripes are sewed over and over. The stars are sewed one on each side, so that both sides of the flag present the same appearance. The *fly* is indigo blue in color and

has upon it thirteen eight-pointed stars, each seven inches across from point to point. Twelve of the stars are arranged in a circle; the thirteenth is placed in the centre. The circumference of the circle passing through the centres of the stars has a diameter of forty inches. The stars are white. The *union* is made of thirteen strips of silk, alternately red and white. There are seven red and six white stripes. The length of the stripes coincides with the length of the flag. The dimensions of the union are thirty-four by twenty-eight inches. The whole is mounted upon a pole having a brass spear at its top.

The red has faded out almost entirely; the blue remains as when first colored. The silk has become very rotten, and unless laid away in a safer place will soon go to pieces.

The war of 1812 was fought under the flag of fifteen stars and fifteen stripes. Can any one tell the reasons for the use of this flag, which seems to be colonial in many of its details?

Lafayette College. J. W. MOORE.

CLEAVER—POTTS.—Peter Cleaver, Jr., of Bristol Township, Philadelphia County, and Elizabeth Potts, daughter of David and Alice, of the same place, were married by Friends' ceremony, 8 mo. 4, 1722, at Germantown. Is the marriage certificate still in existence? If so, where can it be found? TH. MAXWELL POTTS.

Cannonsburg, Pennsylvania.

MCKINNEY.—Information is requested as to the maiden name of Edna, wife of John McKinney, and the name of her father.

Boston, Massachusetts. K. C. K.

Book Notices.

THE REGISTER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA SOCIETY OF SONS OF THE REVOLUTION, for the year 1895, has been issued. It contains a list of the names of the nine hundred and twenty-six members, with other interesting data relating to the history of the Society. At their annual meeting held in Independence Hall in April last, it was decided to erect an equestrian statue of Major-General Anthony Wayne, in this city, to cost thirty thousand dollars, and the following committee was appointed: George M. Conarroe, *Chairman;* Alexander Biddle, Richard D. Barclay, Henry H. Houston, Charles Henry Jones, J. Granville Leach, Caleb J. Milne, Edward de V. Morrell, Hon. S. W. Pennypacker, Edward Shippen, General George R. Snowden, Charlemagne Tower, Jr., and Edward S. Sayres, *Secretary.*

OUR FAMILY ANCESTORS. By Thomas Maxwell Potts, Cannonsburg, Pennsylvania, 1895. 8vo. 444 pp. Illustrated. Price, $3.50.

"Our Family Ancestors" is the title of a genealogical work intended primarily for the information and use of the compiler's children. The fifty chapters treat of as many different families, and contain much information that has not been previously collected or published. It is believed that many others will find much of interest and value, and possibly in some cases the foundation for more extended and complete genealogies. Each of the following families are treated of in special chapters, occupying from two to forty pages: Baily, Baker, Bane or Bean, Bentley, Bezer, Bording, Bushell, Butler, Buzby, Carter, Clayton, Cloud, Cox, Croasdale, Eaton, Edwards, Few, Fisher, Gove, Hayes, Hobson, Hough, Ingram, Jenings, Kirk, Lawrence, McNeil, Marten, Miller, Mitchell,